Libel Suits by Mother Of Oswald Are Dismissed

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FORT WORTH, Tex. — (UPI) — District Judge Leo Brewster has dismissed five libel suits filed by the mother of the alleged assassin of President John F. Kennedy because Texas law allows only one year after the publishing date to file suit.

Mrs. Marguerite Oswald's suits contended that U.S. Rep. Gerald Ford (R, Mich.), a member of the Warren Commission; Harper and Row, a publishing company; and The New Yorker magazine, among others, defamed her character and that of her son, Lee Harvey Oswald.

Brewster did allow a number of other suits to remain on the books, including libel suits against Jim Bishop, author of "The Day Kennedy Was Shot," and the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Mrs. Oswald said the suits were filed late because she had trouble getting a lawyer to assist her. She said some turned the case down politely; others not so politely.